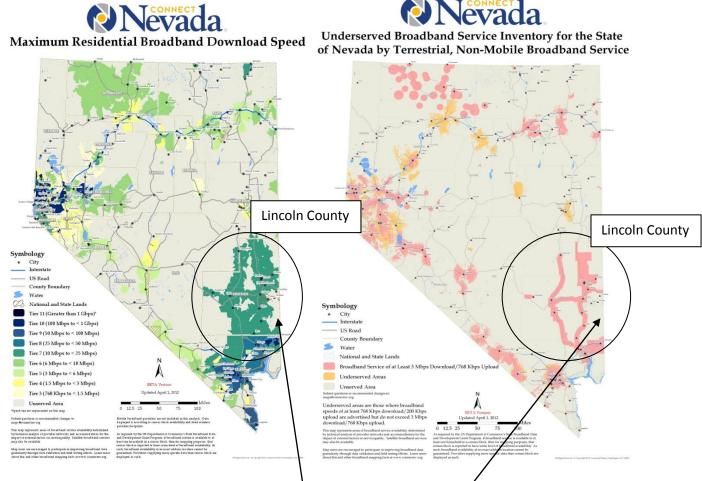
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## Reason for Nomination

Many people in the community recognize that this remote community is blessed to have John Christian of the Lincoln County Telephone Company for keeping up with new innovations to provide broadband opportunities. John Christian has taken advantage for the community of the railroad industry laying fiber optics and developments in the southern end of the county to stretch the opportunities for the entire county. Because of John Christian's efforts, Lincoln County is definitely in the forefront for Nevada in providing excellent broadband service. Lincoln County has only 5300 people to service over 10,000 sq. miles and they are all provided with exceptionally high speed service (See map below) at a competitive price (with in the year all houses will be wired with fiber). Although neighboring communities beg for this high quality service to move over county lines, Lincoln County telephone has kept true to serving the residents in Lincoln County. The small hospital and school district and individual businesses have been wired to high speed services so they can expand their technology capability far beyond their size and remote location because of the foresight and community-minded focus by John Christian. Lincoln County Telephone has provided computers and service for public use in senior centers and libraries across the county. Because of his past efforts and because of what his efforts continue provide us today, John Christian not only deserves our nomination but he deserves the 2013 Broadband Hero Award for community.



Note the three communities on the east side of the county have been wired with fiber since these maps have been drawn and so all populated areas in Lincoln County have service.

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